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SUBJ: UAE DESIRE TO PURCHASE TRAFFIC SAFETY AND RELATED  
EQUIPMENT

1. CAPTAIN FANEK OF UAE TRAFFIC POLICE (MINY INTE  
UOR) HAS  
REQUESTED EMB PROVIDE HIM WITH INFO ON AMERICAN FIRMS SUPPLYING  
COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS FOR EMERGENCY ROAD SERVICE. SUCH A  
SYSTEM WOULD ALLOW A MOTORIST IN DISTRESS TO SUMMON AN AMBULANCE,  
FIRE ENGINE, REPAIR CREW, OR WHATEVER ASSISTANCE WAS APPROPRIATE.  
CAPTAIN FANEK HAS ENVISIONED A SYSTEM OF BUTTONS EACH OF WHICH  
WOULD AUTOMATICALLY SUMMON THE APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY VEHICLE.  
THE MINYINTERIOR HAS MADE NO FINAL DECISION AS TO THE TYPE  
OF SYSTEM DESIRED, SO THAT ANY RELIABLE, EASY-TO-OPERATE ALARM  
SYSTEM WOULD BE CONSIDERED.

2. THE UAE TRAFFIC POLICE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PATROLLING ALL  
OF THE MAIN ROADS IN THE UAE EXCEPT THE AL-AIN/ABU DHABI ROAD.  
AT PRESENT THESE ROADS ARE:  
A. THE COASTAL ROAD FROM TWMIF TO RAS AL-KHAIMAH (330 KMS)  
B. THE UNPAVED ROAD FROM SHARJAH TO KHOR FAKKAN ON THE EAST COAST  
OF THE UAE (CIRCA 100 KMS).

AN ALARM SYSTEM WOULD BE PLACED AT APPROPRIATE INTERVALS ALONG  
THESE ROADS, AND OF COURSE THE EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE ABLE TO  
TOLERATE HEAT, HUMIDITY, DUST, WIND AND SALT AIR OF

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THE REGION.

3. CAPTAIN FANEK IS ALSO INTERESTED IN RECEIVING BROCHURES ILLUSTRATING ALL KINDS OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES AVAILABLE FROM THE U.S. THE TRAFFIC POLICE ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN PURCHASING COMBINATION PATROL CAR/AMBULANCES AND IN OBTAINING MACHINES FOR STAMPING LICENSE PLATES AND MAKING DRIVER'S LICENSES.

4. INTERESTED FIRMS MAY CORRESPOND DIRECTLY WITH CAPTAIN NA'MI NAJI FANEK, MINISTRY OF INTERIOR, PO BOX 398, ABU DHABI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.

5. COMMENT: AS THE UAE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GRADUALLY ASSUMES MORE RESPONSIBILITY AND AS PLANNED ROADS LINKING THE UAE TO QATAR AND INTER-EMIRATE ROADS ARE BUILT, NEEDS OF THE FEDERAL POLICE FOR THE EQUIPMENT DESCRIBED ABOVE WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE. THE UAE IS ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN BUYING THE MOST UP-TO-DATE EQUIPMENT FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY ON ITS NEWLY-BUILT ROAD SYSTEM, AND THIS APPEARS TO BE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR AMERICAN COMPANIES. SUGGEST COMMERCE BRING THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THE ATTENTION OF FIRMS PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION, EMPHASIZING THAT INTERESTED COMPANIES SHOULD NOT WAIT UNTIL MAY BEFORE RESPONDING TO THIS REQUEST.  
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